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FACTS ABOUT COAL MINING.

The appeal to the American people of President Mitchell in behalf of the striking anthracite coal miners bristles with facts which are of public interest and importance.

No one will question the statement that a workman is underpaid who gets only \$1.42 a day for ten hours' work, and gets this only 200 days in the year in the difficult and dangerous underground work of coal mining.

This would be poor pay even if the circumstances justified it. But Mr. Mitchell quotes President Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road, who says in his official report that "the year of 1901 will pass into history as one of the most satisfactory if not the banner year in the history of the anthracite coal trade." It certainly has not been the most satisfactory in the trade of mining coal. The miners have not shared in the prosperity of the operators.

Another fact is that the railroads are acting in the double capacity of coal miners and coal carriers. When they assert, as President Baer does in speaking for the Coal Trust, that they do not make any profit out of the mining of coal they are guilty of an evasion which is disingenuous to say the least for it. They can show a loss in the coal department of their business at any time by merely charging exorbitant rates of freight in the carrying department. Mr. Mitchell asserts that the Coal Trust roads charge three times as much for hauling a ton of anthracite per mile as other roads charge for hauling bituminous coal.

These are some of the facts in an appeal which, as we have said, bristles with facts. On this statement the miners are willing to submit the justice of their cause to impartial arbitration and to abide by the result. It is needless to say that the appeal is made to the American people, not to the Coal Trust presidents, who are deaf to every appeal from every source.

OUR WALL STREET SERVICE.

We beg to call the attention of our readers to the exceptional character of the financial news department recently inaugurated as a special feature of The Evening World. It is our intention to make this department conspicuous not only by its accuracy but by the fulness of its reports, covering every feature of the news of trade and of finance, and in every way equal to the service given by the exclusively financial publications. No expense will be spared to make it complete and ample space will be devoted to meeting the measure of its requirements.

The advantages of the evening paper for furnishing this news while it is fresh and valuable are too obvious to need enlargement. The financial columns of The Evening World will be marked by the same enterprise and thoroughness which have given to this paper its uncontested supremacy in the field of general news.

A MODEL SUNDAY.

Yesterday was opening day at many of the pleasure resorts in the neighborhood of New York, and the record of the day is a most creditable one. The Coney Island crowd is estimated at 140,000; Far Rockaway was a centre of pleasure seeking; 40,000 excursionists visited Glen Island; the coasts of Jersey and of Long Island awoke to their summer activity; the parks were unusually crowded, and evidences of the season of summer travel and pleasure were everywhere visible.

And the columns of this morning's papers attest that among all these millions of Sabbath-breakers there was not the slightest disorder or misconduct. The record is one of happy, well-behaved, self-respecting Americans who know how to enjoy themselves soberly and discreetly, to respect the rights of others and to obey the law.

The record of the stay-at-homes within the inner circuit of the city is equally creditable, although there is reason to believe that the enforcement of the Raines law was rather liberal than strict.

THE CONTRASTS OF SENTIMENT.

At the news of the Mount Pelee eruption in Martinique the generous sentiment of the country was aroused at once and enlisted in the work of relief. Congress at once voted \$100,000, then \$200,000, then the President called for \$500,000 and organized relief committees in all the large cities. Funds were started by newspapers and chambers of commerce and other public bodies, supplies were hurried forward, and before the emotional impulse could be stopped the generous people of the United States had given more than there was either need or use for to help the alien and the stranger in Martinique.

Now from Zapata County, Texas, comes the statement of the condition of our own people in a drought-stricken area of that State. As a result of successive years of drought the ranches have been ruined, the cattle are dead, the people are destitute, and the County Judge who issues the appeal asserts that for the past two months he has been issuing rations to 15,000 people and that he now has only a ten days' supply on hand. He says that it is hard for them to be continually appealing for relief, but the circumstances compel it.

Perhaps it is because there is nothing sensational or melodramatic about the misery of the drought-stricken region of Texas, but whatever the reason, it passes unnoticed by the rest of the country. We let Texas take care of itself, although we did not let France take care of Martinique, and the people of Texas are our own people.

"ACCIDENTS."

In the matter of broken-down traction cars honors were easy yesterday between the Interurban and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit.

In Manhattan damage to the machinery of an Amsterdam avenue car rendered it impossible to turn off the power, and the result of a wild runaway was that the passengers were badly shaken up and their lives endangered, and, after the finale on the cobblestones, the ambulance carried off two victims with fractured ribs.

In Brooklyn it was the customary blowing out of a fuse in a starting box which set fire to a car crowded with fifty passengers, many of them women and children wearing light, inflammable summer garments.

There is apparently no law to prevent such easily preventable "accidents," or to punish corporations which do not keep their equipment in efficient working order.

The Sagacious Carnegie—While on his vacation in Scotland Andrew Carnegie resolutely declines to undertake any work whatever. He is one of the few sagacious men who know when to work and when not to work.

The Funny Side of Life.

JOKES OF OUR OWN BORROWING FOR THE CORONATION.

A GOTHAM PLAIN.

"I praised Elaine's soft, coal-black eyes. In lyric, ode and ditty. But if there's one thing I despise It's a soft-coal-black city."

HUSKY.

"Cleveland speaks of Democrats being 'fed on the husks of defeat.' " "Well, that fare seems to have turned out some pretty husky voters."

ONE OTHER EXCEPTION.

"All birds except the sparrow and the crow go south in winter." "How about jail-birds?"

TWO RECOMPENSES.

"What are the chief joys of living in the suburbs?" "The fact that there's no snow to shovel in summer and no grass to cut in winter."

OLD PROVERB APPLIED.

"I hear you call that runaway auto of yours 'Circumstances.' How did you happen to give it such a queer name?" "Because it's something over which I have no control."

BORROWED JOKES.

THE DEAR INNOCENT.

"Wam! It funny, mamma," said the debutante, "at the Smarts' dinner the other night all the electric lights went out, and the women didn't want the butter to put them up again!" "How do you know the women didn't, my child?" "Because they were all crying 'Don't!' and 'Stop!' And the men didn't say a word!"—Pearson's Weekly.

REPARTEE.

First Boy (contemptuously)—Huh! Your mother takes in washin'. Second Boy—O' course, you didn't know she'd leave it hangin' out overnight unless your father was in prison, did ye?—THE BIT.

OH, HORRORS!

Tess—What a queer remark that man made about the bride. Jess—What was it? Tess—He said: "How natural she looks. Don't you think so?" Jess—More force of habit. He's an undertaker, you know.—Philadelphia Press.

SOMEBODIES.

BOUTWELL, EX-GOV.—of Massachusetts, who, as Governor, signed the incorporation document of Tufts College, has just received from that institution, on its semi-centennial, the degree of LL. D.

BROWN, S. J.—a negro lawyer of Des Moines, is the first of his race to receive the degree of Master of Arts from the University of Iowa.

HOAR, SENATOR—owns the house, in Worcester, Mass., that belonged to John Hancock, of Revolutionary fame. SAGE, MRS. RUSSELL—has given \$50 to the New York Free Industrial School for Girls.

SARTORIUS, ALGERNON—a grandson of Gen. Grant, is about to enter the army. He is twenty-eight years old and an athlete, and served on Fitzhugh Lee's staff in the Spanish War.

VANDERBILT, W. K.—says he is not going to race extensively in this country. This statement refers, presumably, to his horses; not to his auto. WILHELM, KAISER—owns a solid gold cannon inlaid with gems. When fired its speech may be referred to as golden.

BOER FLOWERS.

At a recent flower show in Paris many new roses were exhibited that bore names indicative of French admiration for the Boers. "Louis Botha" was a pure white, with drooping petals that suggested a chrysanthemum; "Boer Courage" was a flaming black-red; "Majuba" was a sulphurous yellow; "Paul Kruger" was a moss rose of claret color.

VICARIOUS.

Good Deacon Jones was crossing a muddy street car track. Good Deacon Jones, he slipped and fell Upon his back. "Blank! Blank! Blank!" screamed a parrot In a cage across the way. "Thank you, my friend!" good Deacon Jones Was heard to say. —Chicago Tribune.



King Edward's borrowed Pierpont Morgan's million-dollar tancet. To make the coronation more jubilantly happy. Next, Uncle Sam may help along the general ovation! By lending Ed our capitol to hold the coronation in.

REVENGE



Mamma—Tommy, what would you like for a birthday present? Tommy (reflectively)—Well, I think I would like to have sister spanked.

BLOTTED OUT



He (sentimentally)—Darling, do you love me better than your first husband? Mrs. Widough—Certainly. He's dead.

THE MAIN POINT.



He—What is the subject of your graduation essay? She—I haven't thought about it yet, but my dress is to be the loveliest lace organdie you ever saw.

OFTEN FACES IT.



She—Was Jeanette afraid when the men fired the cannon? He—I don't think so. She's not afraid of powder.

THE CRASH SUIT



"How loud his suit is." "Yes, it's actually a crash."

EQUIVOCAL



Prof—Would you like to hear my last song? Little—Id rather hear it than any other you could sing.

TIMELY LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Pronounced "Pell Mell."

To the Editor of The Evening World: Which is the correct way to pronounce Pell Mell? Is it pronounced as if spelled "Pell Mell"? I refer to a street in London. How do the English pronounce it? S. S. P.

People's Chorus, Cooper Union.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

Kindly tell me when I can get my voice cultivated. FRED BAKER.

Not Safe.

To the Editor of The Evening World: In regard to Sweet Eighteen's query, asking whether it was right for her to strike a man for speaking to her on the street, I would like to say it was very unladylike indeed. Had that man been under the influence of liquor and had

struck back, where would Sweet Eighteen have landed? That is what I would like to know. The law could mete out a better punishment than Sweet Eighteen did, and I am sure she could have resorted to that. J. H. ALLEN.

Apply to Your Congressman.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

How could I get into the Naval Academy? A. SEIDEL.

Extra Expense for All of Us.

To the Editor of The Evening World: The soft-coal nuisance is going to turn our beautiful pure white buildings a dirty gray if it is not abated soon. In London and Pittsburgh and Cleveland the buildings turn dingy almost at once, but here our pure white buildings have stayed white. Even our City Hall has been white for many years. Shall we

allow our beautiful city to grow foul and sooty? Also, this will be a big item of cost to every wearer of white linen and to every woman who dons a white dress. But the laundry folk will prosper proportionately. BARROW STREET.

Frank Coit, Gray Trousters.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

Kindly inform me as to the proper suit to be worn by a bridegroom at a wedding taking place at 5 P. M. R. P.

Eugene E. Schmitz.

To the Editor of The Evening World: What is the name of the Mayor of San Francisco? Yes.

To the Editor of The Evening World: Have they used any soft coal on any

of the engines of the Sixth or Ninth avenue "L"? INQUISITIVE.

B Wins.

To the Editor of The Evening World: In a poker game where straights count A has three aces. B has a straight. Which wins?

A. C. R. Mamaroneck, N. Y.

No License Is Needed.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

Will you kindly inform me if it is legal to marry in the State of New York without a license?

P. A. BROWN.

Earth Is Fifty Times as Large.

To the Editor of The Evening World: A claim the moon is larger than the earth. B claims the earth is larger than the moon. Which is right? ELECTRIC.

ODDITY CORNER.

EDIBLE OIL.

Cottonseed oil, corn oil and linseed oil, there is good reason to believe, will probably have a rival at a not distant day in edible petroleum oil. As a matter of fact, petroleum has been successfully desulphurized and demineralized. Certain other solids and ingredients have been extracted from it and the production of a fairly good edible oil has already resulted.

BREAD CLOCK.

Milan has a curiosity in a clock which is made entirely of bread. The maker is a native of India, and has devoted three years of his life to the construction of this curiosity. The clock is of a good size and goes well.

WASTED WORDS.

Some one has calculated that it would take a typist 3,700 years of working time to write "Dear sir" and "Yours truly" to all the letters posted in a year.

MORMONISTIC.

Statistics show that one out of every twenty-two Danish emigrants to the United States becomes a Mormon.

WAR RELIC.

An unexpended shell, marked "Krupp, Aug. 30, 1889," was found recently in a dust-bin at Paris.

SOME QUEER THINGS FROM CHINA.

Railways, horses and decent roads being rare in China, goods of all kinds are commonly forwarded per wheelbarrow. The same primitive contrivance is largely used for passenger traffic. In the Province of Shantung these wheelbarrows are often furnished with sails, which facilitate progress before the wind and are



WHEELBARROWS WITH SAILS.

lowered when the wind is unfavorable. The second picture illustrates the commonest of eight Chinese modes of greeting friends. It is called kung-shan and consists in holding the clenched hands together before the breast. The third picture shows the coveted Mandarin's button, which is worn on the top of the hat and taken away temporarily when the Mandarin loses favor. These buttons are



A CHINESE GREETING.

adorned with a great variety of precious stones. There are nine ranks of Mandarins. In addition to the buttons they wear, on breast and back, squares of cloth embroidered with special devices—a rhinoceros for the military Mandarin, a crane for the civilians.



MANDARIN'S BUTTON.

ARE YOUR EARS SIXTY?

It is the general impression that the body grows old uniformly. From birth till the age of twenty-five it grows in size and weight, from twenty-five to fifty it remains stationary and from that period it decays.

Observations of expert physiologists show us that this impression is quite wrong. Each organ begins to age independently, each has its period for the change, but these periods differ with the various organs and do not take place coincidentally, as we may have supposed. The body attains its greatest size during the third decade, and remains in about the same condition during the fourth and fifth decades, that is true; but the brain reaches its greatest size in the second decade, the kidneys reach their maximum size during the third decade, the muscles, skeleton and intestines during the fifth, the heart and lungs in the eighth decade.

Increase or decrease in the size or weight of the body, consequently, is not due to simultaneous increase or decrease in all its parts.

SALAD PLANTS.

Salad plants comprise a group which may be arranged under the head of acariarous plants. Some have long been known as common vegetables and cooked and served as such, while others have been regarded simply as weeds by most native Americans.

WHERE IS HER GRANDPA?



Cut out this picture and put it properly, when the girl will disappear from view and the picture of her grandfather will be revealed.

AN UNLUCKY NAME FOR KINGS.

The present King of England is the seventh bearer of a name which has proved somewhat unfortunate to the six Edwards who preceded him.

Little good luck has come to any of the royal Edwards, and superstitious persons may believe that any good fortune accruing to Edward VII. will be due to the lucky number which follows his name.

Edward I. spent most of his days rolling up trouble for himself and incurring general hatred by his bitter warfare against Scotland.

Edward II., profligate and weakling, was murdered in prison.

Edward III. lived to see his only son—the Black Prince, whom he idolized—die; and himself died knowing he was to be succeeded by a vacillating, delicate grandson, who might upset the grand dynasty the Black Prince and his father had built up.

Edward IV., after usurping England's throne and causing the death of Henry VI., lived but a short time in a court rent with dissensions; then, while still young, died of disease.

Edward V. was murdered in the Tower of London by order of his father's brother, the Duke of Gloucester, afterward Richard III.

Edward VI. died while still a mere boy.

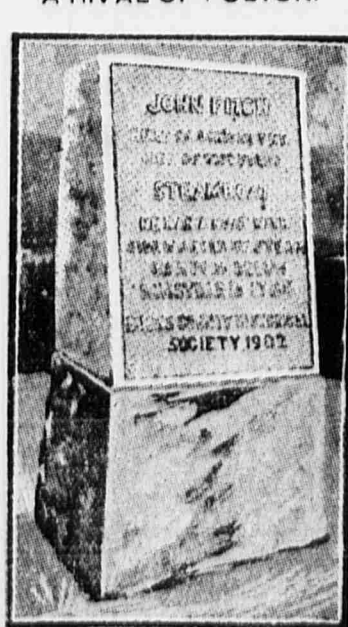
Edward VII. has been compelled to wait until he was over sixty before ascending the throne.

No other name only among England's kings has proved so disastrous—the name of Richard.

All three of England's King Richards died violent deaths; the first and third in battle, and the second by assassination.

A. P. T.

A RIVAL OF FULTON.



A granite monument has been erected near Doylestown, Pa., to the memory of John Fitch. It is located near the spot where he propelled his first steamship and where, in 1783, he conceived the idea of using steam for motive power.

ODD CHEESMEN.

These chessmen were in use 400 years ago. They are a bishop, a king, a knight and a pawn.